UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA
Crim. No. 09-292 (JMR/SRN)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) INFORMATION
Plaintiff,) (18 U.S.C. § 1512(c)(2))
v.)
ABDOW MUNYE ABDOW,)
Defendant.)
)

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

COUNT 1

(Obstruction of Justice)

On or about October 8, 2009, in the State and District of Minnesota, the defendant,

ABDOW MUNYE ABDOW.

did knowingly, intentionally, and corruptly obstruct and impede official proceedings, that is, an FBI investigation and a federal grand jury investigation into ethnic Somali males traveling from Minnesota to Somalia, by making the following false statements to two special agents of the FBI: that he had traveled from Minnesota to Las Vegas, Nevada, and back; that he did not know the names of the occupants of the vehicle in which he was riding; and that he did not know who had paid for the rental car. In truth, the defendant had driven from Minnesota to San Diego, California, with four other passengers and had dropped off three of the passengers in San Diego; the defendant knew the names or nicknames of the

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occupants of the vehicle; and the defendant knew who had paid for the rental vehicle because he had provided his debit card to a person known to the government to be used to rent the vehicle. The defendant agrees that the official proceedings, that is, an FBI investigation and a federal grand jury investigation, were reasonably foreseeable to him at the time he made the false statements to the FBI agents.

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